(b) whether they are aware that the extending of the electric wires up to Aroor is an unavoidable necessity for draining water out of the kari lands to facilitate paddy cultivation ?

Mr. P. Joseph John: *(a)* and *(b)* Yes.

Travancore Bank Ltd.

184. ❊ **Mr. Paul A. Thaliath**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Directors in the Travancore Bank Ltd. :

(b) the number among them who are Travancoreans ;

(*c*) the number among them who are non-Travancoreans;

(*d*) the number of shares allotted by the Bank to-Travancoreans ; and

(e) the number of shares allotted by the Bank to non-Travancoreans.

Mr. S. Narayana Aiyar *(Financial Secretary to Government)*: *(a)* 12.

(b) 4.

(c) 8.

(*d*) & *(e)* 58,400 shares for Rs. 14,60,000 to Travancoreans and 1,51,000 shares for Rs. 37,75,000 to non-Travancoreans. In the allotment of shares, Travancoreans were shown preference by allotting 40 per cent. of their applications while non-Travancoreans were allotted only about 22 per cent. The Government of Travancore, small applicants for ten shares and the Directors were however allotted in full. Applications for shares below ten were rejected as the shares were over-subscribed.

Leper Colony.

185. ❊**Mr. A. N. Satyanesan**: Will the Government be pleased to state the increase in the number of patients admitted to the Leper Colony at Noornad in 1121 over that of admissions in 1120 ?

Mr. S. John (*Surgeon-General*): The increase over 1120 for the 1st 11 months is 287.

Mr. A. N. Satyanesan. കൂടുതൽ രോഗികളെ അഡ്മിറ്റ് ചെയ്യുന്ന സ്ഥിതിക്കു അതനുസരിച്ചു് സ്ഥലസൗകര്യം കൂടി ഉള്ളതായി അറിയുവാൻപാടില്ലേ?

Mr. S. John: സ്ഥലസൗകര്യം ഉണ്ടു്.

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